

(E) Holding investments or making loans that support first-time homebuyer programs;

(F) Holding mortgage-backed securities that may include a pool of loans to low- and moderate-income homebuyers;

(G) Participating or investing in service organizations that assist credit unions in providing mortgages; or

(H) Participating in Bank community lending programs; or

(iv) Has any combination of the elements described in paragraphs (c)(1)(i), (ii), or (iii) of this section.

(2) *Probationary performance.* If the evidence of first-time homebuyer performance is deemed to be unsatisfactory by the Finance Board, the member shall be subject to a one-year probationary period. The member will be eligible to receive long-term advances during the probationary period. If the member does not demonstrate compliance with the first-time homebuyer standard before the probationary period ends, the Finance Board shall restrict the member's access to long-term advances in accordance with § 936.5.

(3) *Inadequate performance.* A member's access to long-term advances shall be restricted in accordance with § 936.5 if the member provides no evidence of first-time homebuyer performance.

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§ 936.4 Decision on community support statements.

(a) *Action on community support statements.* The Finance Board shall act on each community support statement in accordance with the requirements of § 936.3 within 75 calendar days of the date the Finance Board deems the community support statement to be complete. The Finance Board shall deem a community support statement complete when it has obtained all of the information required by this part and any other information it deems necessary to process the community support statement. If the Finance Board determines during the review process

that additional information is necessary to process the community support statement, the Finance Board may deem the community support statement incomplete and stop the 75-day time period by providing written notice to the member. When the Finance Board receives the additional information, it shall again deem the community support statement complete and resume the 75-day time period where it stopped. The Finance Board shall have 10 calendar days in addition to the 75-day time period to act on a community support statement if the Finance Board receives the additional information on or after the seventieth day of the 75-day time period.

(b) *Decision on community support statements.* The Finance Board shall provide written notice to the member and the member's Bank of its determination regarding the community support statement submitted by the member. The notice shall identify the reasons for the Finance Board's determination.

§ 936.5 Restrictions on access to long-term advances.

(a) *Requirement.* The Finance Board shall restrict a member's access to long-term advances if the member:

(1) Failed to comply with the requirements of this part;

(2) Submitted a community support statement that was not approved by the Finance Board;

(3) Did not receive a rating in a CRA evaluation of "outstanding" or "satisfactory" at the end of the probationary period described in § 936.3(b)(2); or

(4) Failed to provide evidence satisfactory to the Finance Board of its first-time homebuyer performance before the end of the probationary period described in § 936.3(c)(2).

(b) *Notice.* The Finance Board shall provide written notice to a member and the member's Bank of its determination to restrict the member's access to long-term advances, the member by certified mail, return receipt requested, and the member's Bank by facsimile and by regular mail.

(c) *Effective date.* Restrictions on access to long-term advances shall take effect 30 days after the date the notices required under paragraph (b) of this

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section are mailed unless the member complies with the requirements of this part before the end of the 30-day period.

(d) *Removing restrictions.* (1) The Finance Board may remove restrictions on a member's access to long-term advances imposed under this section:

(i) If the Finance Board determines that application of the restriction may adversely affect the safety and soundness of the member. A member may submit a written request to the Finance Board to remove a restriction on access to long-term advances under this paragraph (d)(1)(i). Such written request shall contain a clear and concise statement of the basis for the request, and a statement that application of the restriction may adversely affect the safety and soundness of the member from the member's appropriate federal financial supervisory agency, or the National Credit Union Administration for a federally insured credit union member, or the member's *appropriate state regulator* for a member that is not subject to regulation or supervision by a federal regulator. The Finance Board shall consider each written request within 30 calendar days of receipt. For purposes of this paragraph (d)(1)(i), the term *appropriate state regulator* means any state officer, agency, supervisor, or other entity that has regulatory authority over, or is empowered to institute enforcement action against, a member.

(ii) If the Finance Board determines that the member subsequently has complied with the requirements of this part. A member may submit a written request to the Finance Board to remove a restriction on access to long-term advances under this paragraph (d)(1)(ii). Such written request shall state with specificity how the member has complied with the requirements of this part. The Finance Board shall consider each written request within 30 calendar days of receipt.

(2) The Finance Board shall place a member on probation in accordance with § 936.3(b)(2), if:

(i) The member's access to long-term advances was restricted on the basis of the member's inadequate performance under the CRA standard, as described in § 936.3(b)(3);

(ii) The rating in the member's subsequent CRA evaluation is "needs to improve;" and

(iii) The member did not receive either a "substantial noncompliance" CRA rating or a "needs to improve" CRA rating immediately preceding the CRA rating on which the member's inadequate performance under the CRA standard was based.

(3) The Finance Board shall provide written notice to the member and the member's Bank of its determination under this paragraph (d), the member by certified mail, return receipt requested, and the member's Bank by facsimile and by regular mail. The Finance Board's determination shall take effect on the date the notices are mailed.

(e) *AHP and CIP.* A member that is subject to a restriction on access to long-term advances under this part shall not be eligible to participate in the Affordable Housing Program or the Community Investment Program. The restriction in this paragraph (e) shall not apply to AHP or CIP applications or funding approved before the date the restriction is imposed.

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§ 936.6 Bank community support programs.

(a) *Requirement.* Consistent with the safe and sound operation of the Bank, each Bank shall establish and maintain a community support program. A Bank's community support program should:

(1) Provide technical assistance to members;

(2) Promote and expand community-oriented mortgage lending and affordable housing finance;

(3) Identify opportunities for members to expand financial and credit services in underserved neighborhoods and communities; and

(4) Encourage members to increase their community-oriented mortgage lending and affordable housing finance activities by providing incentives such